

# W. C. T. U. Column.

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W. C. T. U. WATCHWORDS:  
ORGANIZE! EDUCATE! AGITATE!

W. C. T. U. PRINCIPLES:  
Total Abstinence: Prohibition of the Liquor Traffic; One Standard of Morals for Men and Women; Home Protection; Equal Suffrage; and the Teaching of Scientific Temperance in Public Schools.

## A Word to Young Womanhood.

How will the young woman vote on this temperance question? Here is her ballot box. When out in life's social sphere the liquor-scented breath comes straight in her face from the lips of the young man claiming her friendship; when the time comes that life's pathway is beginning to strike out for her separate and alone from all others and she is making choice of the one with whom she will walk down the years, will she then have the courage to say: "O Christ, my Savior, I will not risk it! I will not be unequally yoked with a man who drinks! Rather will I walk my pathway alone than do that!" That is where young womanhood is tested. That is her ballot,—how will she cast it?

Nothing is so beautiful as the temple of wedded life that love builds; nothing is so sad as the service in that temple if drink be in it. The air may be filled with the chime of wedding bells, bird songs and perfume of flowers; friends may smile and offer congratulations; but if the scent of wine mingle with the breath of the roses, if the groom has grown accustomed to his social or habitual glass, the sacrificial knife is not far off. Flowers may wreath the brow, love may beam in the eyes—it's Eden to-day! But turn the page, and you have Paradise Lost, with closed gates, and the man and woman on the outside! Strong drink will destroy the most beautiful paradise of wedded life that love ever dreamed of or sacrificed for! Young woman, how will you cast your ballot about this? It takes a heap of heaven to make a woman of the right stamp these days!—The Amethyst.

## Bryan for Prohibition.

Hon. William Jennings Bryan has declared war on the liquor traffic at least so far as the Democratic Party is concerned. At a banquet in Chattanooga Mr. Bryan is quoted as saying:

"There is one question upon which for 19 long years I have been silent, but I propose to keep silent no longer. The day has come when the corrupt liquor interest must be driven out of the Democratic party and out of power.

It is the liquor interest that furnished money to deauch and corrupt your states. It is time for the Democratic party to unload the liquor interest onto the Republican party.

My father always told me that I might sometimes be in the minority, but I never could afford to be in the wrong. He said that if I was in the minority and right, that the majority would soon be with me, while, if I was wrong and in the majority, I would soon be in the minority. Whoever takes the right side takes the side that is going to grow, and I think it is high time for the Democratic party to get on the growing side of the great question."

Whether Mr. Bryan can accomplish the purpose here expressed or not he can probably never again have the support of those who believe the liquor traffic should not be dealt with politically or say it is not a national issue or that it is an enterprise to be treated like regular lines of business.

With Mr. Bryan, Ex-Governor Glenn, Hon. Richard P. Hobson, Gov. Stubbs of Kansas, Gen. Frederick D. Grant, the Governors of several southern states and other prominent public men taking an open stand against this evil, it is not impossible that it may soon be forced to the front as never before. Speed the day!—The Amethyst.

## Alcohol in the Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bramwell Booth, in a paper on "Alcohol in Relation to the Home," say: "Alcohol in the home dissipates and wastes the substance and material resources of the family; it tends to weaken and ultimately to overthrow the authority of the family to the great injury of the children; it opens the door of the home to the most vicious forms of self-indulgence and impurity; it is the implacable enemy of all that belongs to the ethical advance of the community."—Herald and Free-Byter.

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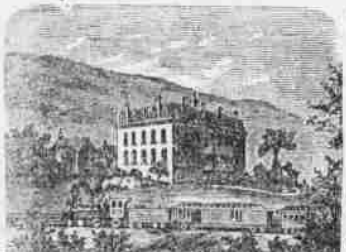
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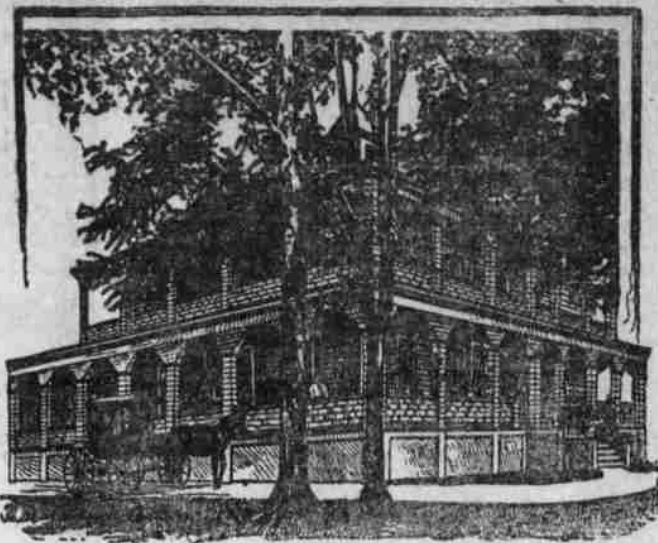
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